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Washington, D.C. – Congressman Jerry McNerney (CA-11) announced today that he received a 100 percent score in 2010 from the League of Conservation Voters (LCV), which evaluates the voting record of Members of Congress on environmental, public health and energy issues.

"As a clean energy engineer, I know how important it is that we invest in new energy technology, lessen our dependence on foreign oil and fight to preserve our clean air and water," said Rep. McNerney. "Our national security and our economic future depend on moving towards a clean energy future and preserving the health and well-being of our environment. I'm glad to stand up for these important issues."

Before being elected to Congress in 2006, Rep. McNerney spent over two decades working in wind energy and smart grid technology, including on the Altamont Pass windmills that overlook his congressional district. He now serves on the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment as part of his tenure on the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. He has made clean energy policy a top priority, and has authored initiatives to invest in green job training programs, improve our electrical grid and increase infrastructure for electric vehicles.

The nonprofit League of Conservation Voters is a national organization that works to turn environmental values into national priorities. The LCV has published a scorecard grading the voting history of Members of Congress since 1970, the year the organization was founded. The scores are based on votes on energy, global warming, environmental and conservation issues. The full scorecard can be viewed at http://www.lcv.org/scorecard/.